



Paul Boyer, Mayor
Tina Hernandez Mayor Pro Tem
Gregorio Gomez, Council Member
Ruben Macareno, Council Member
Danny Valdovinos, Council Member

**Farmersville City Council
Regular Meeting**

Monday, July 26, 2021 6:00 PM

Meeting held in Civic Center Council Chambers
– 909 W. Visalia Road Farmersville, California

**Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20,
the City of Farmersville will be allowing the public, staff, and City
Council to attend this meeting via Zoom Meeting.**

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- 1. Call to Order:**
- 2. Roll Call:**
- 3. Invocation:**
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance:**
- 5. Public Comment:**

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6. Presentations:

- A. Presentation by Manuel Cunha, Jr., President of Nisei Farmers League, regarding a Letter of Support for Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021 and Dreamers Legislation**

Documents: Draft Letters of Support

7. Consent Agenda:

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A. Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of July 12, 2021.

Recommend approval of minutes.

Documents: Draft Action Minutes of July 12, 2021.

B. Review of March 20, 2020 Local Emergency Declaration

Recommend that the City Council review the March 20, 2020 Local Emergency Declaration and continue with said declaration as previously adopted by Resolution 2020-010 and Urgency Ordinance 501.

Documents: Resolution 2020-010
Urgency Ordinance 501

C. Authorize staff to prepare and publish a Request for Proposal for design services for Farmersville Community Park Phase 4 –Freedom Field

Recommend that the City Council authorize staff to prepare and publish a Request for Proposal for design services for Farmersville Community Park Phase 4 –Freedom Field.

8. General Business

A. Public Hearing: 2021/2022 Landscape and Lighting Assessment Districts

Recommend that the City Council conducts the Public Hearing and adopts Resolutions 2021-031 through 2021-043 that accept the engineer's report and levy the assessments for Farmersville's Landscape and Lighting Assessment Districts.

Documents: Resolutions 2021-031 through 2021-043

B. Site Visit to Veterans Memorial Park, Sports Park, and Liberty Park
(Due to the locations, Zoom will not be available during this portion of the meeting, but the public is welcome to attend in person)

Staff recommends that the City Council and staff vacate the City Council Chambers and continue the meeting at Veterans Memorial Park, Sports Park, and Liberty Park in order to view the current conditions of these parks and to note needed improvements.

Upon completing the site visits, the City Council will return to the City Council Chambers for the remaining items on the Agenda.

9. Council Reports

A. City Council Updates and Committee Reports

10. Staff Communications:

11. Future Agenda Items

1. Review of Farmersville Historical Records with Armando Hinojosa
2. Review of Property Zoned for Highway Commercial

12. Adjourn to Closed Session:

A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property: 380 W. Visalia Road

Agency Negotiators: Jennifer Gomez and Michael Schulte

Negotiating Parties: Carol & Ramon Chavez

Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

13. Reconvene to Open Session:

14. Closed Session Report (if any):

15. Adjournment:

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Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Council after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City's offices during normal business hours.

Drafted by: J. Gomez

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This is a sample letter that can be used to send to U.S. Senator Padilla

Use City Letterhead

Date:

The Honorable U. S. Senator Alex Padilla
B03 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Padilla,

The City of _____ greatly appreciates the United States House of Representatives passage of the Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021. We have hope that it will pass the Senate, especially since undocumented farmworkers and other agricultural employees have shown how important they are during the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the legislation in its current form leaves out a large segment of our undocumented agricultural workforce, people that work in packing houses and processing plants.

Packing houses and processing plants are a vital economic sector in our community. They provide our residents with good paying jobs. It would be unfair for these workers who are sorting, packing, or processing agriculture commodities to have to resign from these agricultural jobs to seek another that meets the legislation's current definition of *agricultural labor or services*. They too are working long and hours, especially during peak season. Work done whether in the field or in packing houses or processing plants is important to the agricultural industry.

Dreamers must not be forgotten in this push to legalize the agricultural workforce. In our community, many Dreamers have parents who work in agriculture. To not move forward without legislation for Dreamers leaves their future uncertain. A court ruling or new President of the United States could once again take away everything they worked hard for. We could lose teachers, doctors, lawyers, and workers in almost all occupations.

The City of _____ respectfully request that the definition of *agricultural labor or services* in the Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021 be modified to include employees who work in packing houses and processing plants and that legislation for Dreamers be passed concurrently.

Sincerely,



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1. **Call to Order:** 6:02pm
2. **Roll Call:** *Boyer, Hernandez, Gomez, Valdovinos (arrived 6:03pm) Macareno (arrived 6:10pm)*
3. **Invocation:** *Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez*
4. **Pledge of Allegiance:** *Councilmember Gomez*
5. **Public Comment:**

Brian Thoburn- Southern Ca. Edison: gave update on heatwave, Edison is working towards no interruptions with service. Edison has put a new plan in place "Critical Care" backup batteries for residents that have medical equipment. Thanked City for their partnership.

Richard Harmon- Townsend: Updated Council on Fire Truck and Fire Station.

Kevin Gross- QK: Introduced himself to Council.

Armando Hinojosa- resident of Farmersville, voiced concerns regarding Fireworks and Deep Creek Cemetery.

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6. **Presentations:** *none*

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A. Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of June 28, 2021.

Recommend approval of minutes.

Documents: Draft Action Minutes of June 28, 2021.

B. Finance Update for June 2021: Warrant Register and Investment Summary

Recommend that the City Council:

1. Approve the Warrant Register as presented for the period. This reporting period represents warrants issued for the current Fiscal Year (2020/2021); and
2. Accept the Investment Summary as presented for the period. This reporting period represents investment summary for the previous month.

Documents: June 2021 Warrant Register
Investment Summary June 2021

C. Waive Second Reading and adopt Ordinance 506, amending Farmersville Municipal Code Chapter 13.08 – Sewers

Recommend that the City Council waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance 506 amending Farmersville Municipal Code Chapter 13.08 – Sewers, regarding proposed changes to update and bring it into conformance with the Federal EPA's model sewer ordinance.

Documents: Ordinance 506

D. Resolution 2021-029 adopting Memorandums of Understanding with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 517, Police Officer's Association, and Miscellaneous Employees.

Recommend that the City Council adopt Resolution 2021-029 authorizing the City Manager to execute the Memorandums of Understanding with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 517, Police Officer's Association, and Miscellaneous Employees.

Documents:

1. Resolution 2021-029
2. Memorandum of Understanding:
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 517
Police Officer's Association
Miscellaneous Employees

E. Request by Applicant for Special Event Funding for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Recommend that the City Council review and approve a request from Farmersville Elite Soccer Club for \$1,300 in financial assistance.

Documents: Event Funding Application

F. Lowry Final Parcel Map

Recommend that the City Council review and accept the Final Parcel Map by developer Barry Lowry creating six commercial parcels located on the south side of Noble Avenue, west of Farmersville Blvd.

Documents: Copy of Final Parcel Map

Motion to Approve items A-F

Mayor Boyer abstained from item B

Results: Approve Mover: Councilmember Valdovinos Seconder: Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez Ayes: Boyer, Hernandez, Gomez, Macareno, Valdovinos Noes: 0 Abstain: Mayor Boyer abstained from Item B Absent: 0

8. General Business

A. Designation of voting delegate and alternate(s) for the League of California Cities Annual Conference

Recommend that the Council designate a voting delegate and alternate(s) for the League of California Cities Annual Conference; and authorize the City Clerk to complete and submit the Voting Delegate Form.

Documents: Correspondence

Councilmember Gomez voted delegate

Councilmember Macareno voted first alternate

Councilmember Valdovinos voted second alternate

All council voted to approve the designation for the League of California.

9. Council Reports

A. City Council Updates and Committee Reports

Councilmember Macareno- Inquired about City Logo, would like to know the difference between Charter and General Law Cities, Thanked Council for Summer Swim Program, Desires the use of High School Track for community exercise, Wishes to implement different ideas for improving Park maintenance.

Councilmember Valdovinos- Youth Boxing team went to Bakersfield this past weekend and brought home Team Championship.

Councilmember Gomez- Inquired about Cal Trans landscaping along fence.

Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez- Voiced her opinion on Fireworks, would like more focus on other areas in Farmersville besides Parks.

Mayor Boyer- Glad to see work being done on Farmersville Blvd. Entrance signs to be put up coming into Farmersville. Fireworks were in full force this year with prices and purchasing.

10. Staff Communications:

City Manager- Groundbreaking for Farmersville Blvd. will be July 26th.

Public Works- Has been working with Gopher guy at Sports Park, WWTP had a water line break July 4th weekend. Armstrong Park is almost complete. Council Chamber air conditioner will be getting replaced.

Police Department- Extra staff worked July 4th. Challenging to cite for illegal fireworks.

11. Future Agenda Items

1. Review of Farmersville Historical Records with Armando Hinojosa
2. Review of Property Zoned for Highway Commercial

12. Adjourn to Closed Session:

Mayor Boyer adjourned to closed session at 6:58pm

A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: 980 N. Farmersville Blvd.

Agency Negotiators: Jennifer Gomez and Michael Schulte

Negotiating Parties: Sunshine Raisin Corp

Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

13. Reconvene to Open Session:

Mayor Boyer reconvened at 7:25pm and there was nothing to report.

14. Closed Session Report (if any):

15. Adjournment:

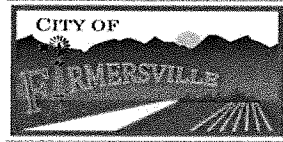
Mayor Boyer adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Rochelle Giovani

City Clerk

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City Council

Staff Report 7B

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Jennifer Gomez, City Manager

DATE: July 26, 2021

SUBJECT: Review of March 20, 2020 Local Emergency Declaration

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review the March 20, 2020 Local Emergency Declaration and continue with said declaration as previously adopted by Resolution 2020-010 and Urgency Ordinance 501.

BACKGROUND and DISCUSSION:

On March 20, 2020 a local state of emergency was declared by the Farmersville emergency services coordinator and subsequently ratified by the Farmersville City Council by Resolution 2020-010 on March 23, 2020. The Council also adopted Urgency Ordinance 501 authorizing the City Manager to implement whatever necessary actions needed to comply with any federal or state requirements and to take actions that were to provide for the health and welfare of the community. Pursuant to Government Code Section 8630, the local emergency shall be reviewed at least once every 60 days. The Council last reviewed the local emergency at the May 10, 2021, City Council meeting.

The State reopened the economy on June 15th by lifting most restrictions that impacted businesses. Masks are still required for individuals that have not been fully vaccinated, but otherwise most activities in the City of Farmersville are back to pre-pandemic status. The Governor intends to lift any remaining regulations and guidelines by the end of September.

Based on the current orders issued by the State of California, the City Manager recommends that the City continue to operate under the Local Emergency until September 30th. The Local Emergency Declaration and Urgency Ordinance will be brought to the City Council at that time to rescind the actions unless further orders have been issued by the State extending the emergency.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Resolution 2020-010
Urgency Ordinance 501

RESOLUTION NO: 2020-010

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE RATIFYING THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE EMERGENCY DECLARATION PREPARED AND ISSUED VIA PRESS RELEASE ON MARCH 20, 2020

WHEREAS, The California Emergency Services Act (Ca. Gov. Code §§8639, 8550, et seq) defines a local emergency as the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of person and property within the territorial limits of a city, caused by conditions such as an epidemic, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of a city, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, Ca. Government Code §8630 empowers the City Council to designate by ordinance a local official with the power to proclaim a local emergency when the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville Municipal Code §2.28 references the City's policies and codes regarding City Services during a declared emergency; and

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville Municipal Code §2.28.100 provides that "the position of emergency services coordinator shall be combined with that of the position of chief of police/fire;" and

WHEREAS, Ca. Government Code §36937 authorizes "immediate" ordinances (not requiring posting) for limited instances, including "immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety;" and

WHEREAS, Ca. Government Code §38791 authorize a city to provide for the "chief executive" who shall have "complete authority and the right to exercise all police power vested in the city by the constitution and general laws," and there is no language in the City of Farmersville Municipal Code which provides for the authorization allowed under this Government Code section.

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic has led to the State of California declaring a State of Emergency on March 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Tulare County followed suit in declaring a State of Emergency on or about March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, quarantines and self-isolation are currently in effect for hundreds of individuals in Tulare County, and a Statewide stay-at-home order has been declared by the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville declared a State of Emergency on March 20, 2020 via a press release issued by the emergency services coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration shall help facilitate coordination of local, state, and federal resources and may enable the City of Farmersville to seek reimbursement for costs associated with efforts to meet County, State and Federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, per Government Code §8630, the Declaration must be ratified by the City Council within seven (7) days of issuance in order to remain in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, the primary concern of the City of Farmersville is the health and welfare of it's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the health and welfare of the citizens of the City of Farmersville will be enhanced by expanding the authority of the City Manager during the time of a declared emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE HEREBY:

1. Recognizes the State of Emergency declared by the State of California and the County of Tulare; and
2. Ratifies the City of Farmersville Emergency Declaration prepared and issued via press release on March 20, 2020, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A; and
3. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist and shall be reviewed at least once every 60 days until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council per Government Code §8630.

Ayes: Vasquez, Hernandez, Macaseno, Boyer, Gomez

Absent: _____

ATTEST:

INCORPORATED

CITY OF
Farmersville

OCTOBER 5, 1960

Farmersville Police Department

Press Release



Date: 03-20-2020

Information: City of Farmersville Emergency Declaration

The City of Farmersville has declared a local emergency to deal with the Covid-19 pandemic. This emergency will allow the city to deal with the rapidly evolving challenges to protect public health and safety related to the spread of COVID-19. The City joins the State of California with the Governors Proclamation of a Statewide Stay at Home Order and encourages all of its residents to follow the directives given by the Governor, State Health Officials, and County Health Officials.

As we continue to monitor the effects of COVID-19 (Coronavirus), the safety of our residents, and staff remains our highest priority. As provided for in the City of Farmersville Municipal Code Chapter 2.28 and through its Emergency Operation Plan, the Director of Emergency Operations, Chief Mario Krstic; in line with California Governor Newsom's March 19, 2020, Proclamation of a State wide Stay at Home order and his March 04, 2020 State of Emergency; has declared a local state of emergency in the City of Farmersville. This declaration is scheduled to be ratified by Resolution of the Farmersville City Council as an item at their regularly scheduled meeting held Monday, March 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Mario Krstic, Chief of Police
City of Farmersville

Exhibit A

URGENCY ORDINANCE 501

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE RELATING TO AUTHORIZATION OF THE CITY MANAGER PERTAINING TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR A LOCAL EMERGENCY (COVID-19)

The City Council of the City of Farmersville does ordain as follows:

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 novel coronavirus is a respiratory disease that may result in serious illness or death and is easily transmittable from person to person; and

WHEREAS, The California Emergency Services Act (Ca. Gov. Code §§8639, 8550, et seq) defines a local emergency as the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of person and property within the territorial limits of a city, caused by conditions such as an epidemic, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of a city, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

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WHEREAS, the primary concern of the City of Farmersville is the health and welfare of it's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the health and welfare of the citizens of the City of Farmersville will be enhanced by expanding the authority of the City Manager during the time of this declared emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recognizes the State of Emergency declared by the State of California and the County of Tulare.

SECTION 2. Adopts Urgency Ordinance 501 expanding the authority of the City Manager, or designee, to include discretionary authority to immediately implement whatever necessary actions are authorized or required by the Municipal Code, the Tulare County Health and Human Services Office, and the State of California and/or Federal government, including, but not limited to: (1) Declaring which businesses and/or services may be "essential," as well as consideration of operating decisions over those businesses; (2) Authorizing the use of City assets for health care, testing, or other emergency availability; (3) authorizing the ability to make quick purchasing/contracting decisions without constraint of the procurement policy; and (4) other general actions as necessary and/or required in order to meet the demand of the City in providing for the health and welfare of it's citizens during the time of the declared emergency.

SECTION 3. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist and shall be reviewed at least once every 60 days until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council per Government Code §8630.

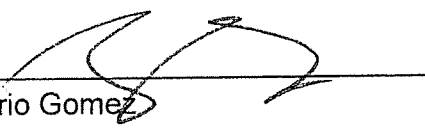
SECTION 4. This authority shall become effective immediately pursuant to Ca. Government Code §36937, but shall otherwise be posted.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Urgency Ordinance No. 501, was duly approved and adopted by the **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE** on March 23, 2020 following a roll call vote:

Ayes: Vasquez, Macarena, Hernandez, Boyer, Gomez

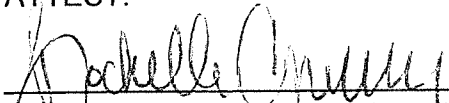
Noes: _____

Absent: _____



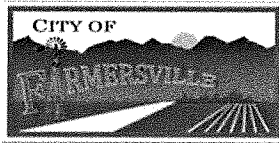
Mayor Gregorio Gomez

ATTEST:



Rochelle Giovani, City Clerk





City Council

Staff Report 7C

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Jennifer Gomez, City Manager

DATE: July 26, 2021

SUBJECT: Authorize staff to prepare and publish a Request for Proposal for design services for Farmersville Community Park Phase 4 –Freedom Field

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is respectfully recommended that the City Council authorize staff to prepare and publish a Request for Proposal for design services for Farmersville Community Park Phase 4 –Freedom Field.

BACKGROUND and DISCUSSION:

On June 21, 2021, The City of Farmersville received the fully executed grant agreement for the acceptance of a \$1,944,034.00 grant through the Urban Greening Grant Program (Senate Bill 859) to complete the Farmersville Community Park Phase 4 – Freedom Field.

The project will expand Farmersville's partially developed community park (sports park) by approximately 2.33 acres to transform barren space into passive recreational green space. The Freedom Field development will include planting approximately 50 trees, native shrubs, decomposed granite pathways, open native turf area, tot lot, stormwater capture elements, accessible parking area, community plaza, and other amenities.

In order to initiate this project, it is necessary that the City prepare and publish a Request for Proposals in order to select a consultant to conduct the needed architectural, landscaping, and engineering design services.

COORDINATION & REVIEW:

Staff has consulted with grant consultants, Blais and Associates, and issuing this RFP is the next step in the process of moving this project forward.

ALTERNATIVES:

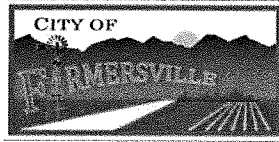
None at this time.

FISCAL IMPACT: As part of the total project implementation for Freedom Field, the City has committed to matching funds in the amount of \$250,000 to construct the ADA accessible parking area and \$5,000 toward community involvement and a grand opening event.

This project is being funded through the authority of the Urban Greening Grant Program Funded by California Climate Investments, also known as the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF).

CONSLUSION:

It is respectfully recommended that the City Council authorize staff to prepare and publish a Request for Proposal for design services for Farmersville Community Park Phase 4 –Freedom Field.



City Council

Staff Report 8A

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Jennifer Gomez, City Manager

DATE: July 26, 2021

SUBJECT: 2021/2022 Landscape and Lighting Assessment Districts

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council conducts the Public Hearing and adopts Resolutions 2021-031 through 2021-043 that accept the engineer's report and levy the assessments for Farmersville's Landscape and Lighting Assessment Districts.

BACKGROUND:

The City currently has 13 landscape and lighting districts consisting of 822 individual lots formed as a part of the approval process of various subdivisions for maintaining the surrounding landscaping in each of the subdivisions. The City maintains the turf, shrubs, trees, irrigation systems, lighting (in some districts), and walls (in some districts) on the exterior of the parcels of land which are all located in the public right of way.

Each parcel within each subdivision is assessed an amount equal to their share of the costs for said maintenance. Each fiscal year, the City is required, by the rules for the assessment districts (in accordance with the 1972 Landscape and Lighting District Act), to do a cost accounting of the assessments for the upcoming year.

There are several steps in the process to recover the cost of maintenance for these districts. The following is a summary of the steps that have taken place or will take place in this process:

1. The City Council adopted Resolution 2021-024 directing the City Engineer to prepare the Engineer's Report at its June 14, 2021 Council meeting and set the Public Hearing for July 26, 2021.
2. The City Engineer prepared the engineer's report and incorporated applicable charges for the individual districts.
3. On June 28, 2021, the City Council reviewed the engineer's report and adopted Resolution 2021-028 of intent to levy and collect assessments on the landscape and lighting districts.

4. Advertised a notice in the newspaper on June 17, 2021, for the Public Hearing on July 26, 2021, announcing the annual updates.
5. Conduct the Public Hearing on July 26, 2021, and adopt a resolution levying the assessments for each district.
6. Subsequent to Council action, the City Clerk will deliver a master list with the assessment to be applied to each applicable parcel to the County Assessor's office.
7. The adjusted assessments will be added to the County's assessment rolls in August and the City would receive from the County the monies from the two normal, semiannual property tax collections (one in December and one in April) to pay the expense of providing the above maintenance activities.

DISCUSSION:

The engineer's report has been made available for public review since June 29, 2021. It should be noted that no residents submitted any comments or offered any testimony in writing regarding the assessments that are proposed.

COORDINATION & REVIEW:

Staff has reviewed the timing and funding with the Finance Director and City Manager.

ALTERNATIVES:

None proposed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The assessment districts are self-funded, and costs recovered for the County Assessor cover the actual costs of maintaining the districts. The applicable charges will be included in the 2021/2022 fiscal budget.

CONCLUSION:

It is respectfully recommended that the City Council:

- a) Conducts the Public Hearing
- b) Adopts Resolutions 2021-031 through 2021-043 that accept the engineer's report and levy the assessments for Farmersville's Landscape and Lighting Assessment Districts.

Attachments: Resolutions 2021-031 through 2021-043

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-031

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE, TULARE
COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND CONFIRMING
ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 09-02 WALNUT GROVE SUBDIVISION I
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 92-03 WALNUT GROVE SUBDIVISION II
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 94-01 WALNUT GROVE SUBDIVISION III
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 95-01 WALNUT GROVE SUBDIVISION IV

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville formed an assessment district pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Section 22500 and following, Streets & Highways Code); and

WHEREAS, the Engineer for the proceedings filed an Engineer's Report with the City Clerk in accordance with Article 4 of Chapter 1 of the Landscaping & Lighting Act of 1972; and

WHEREAS, the City Council did conduct a public hearing on July 26, 2021 to consider its intent to levy and collect assessments on said assessment district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Farmersville:

1. The City Council of the City of Farmersville hereby confirms the diagram and assessment contained in the Engineer's Report and levies the assessment for the fiscal year 2021/22.
2. The City Council of the City of Farmersville hereby forwards the following attachments to Tulare County Recorder's Office for Recordation:

Clerk's Certification to County Auditor

Engineer's Report

Exhibit A: Recording History

Exhibit B: Recapitalization of Assessments

Exhibit C: Estimated Assessments

Exhibit D: Assessment Roll

Exhibit E: Diagram Showing All Parcels of Real Property Within the Assessments District.

The motion was made by Councilmember _____ and seconded by Councilmember _____ at a regular meeting held on the 26th of July, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

BY: _____

ATTEST: _____

Paul Boyer, Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-032

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE,
TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

**ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 93-01 WOODCREST ESTATES PHASE ONE
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 94-02 WOODCREST ESTATES PHASE TWO
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 96-01 WOODCREST ESTATES PHASE THREE**

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville formed an assessment district pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Section 22500 and following, Streets & Highways Code); and

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NOES: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION 2021-033

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 94-03 WALNUT WOOD ESTATES I & II

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BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-034

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE,
TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT
AND CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 96-02	SIERRA WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 1
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 96-03	SIERRA WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 2
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 99-01	SIERRA WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 3
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 00-01	SIERRA WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 4
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 01-02	SIERRA WOODS II SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 1

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BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-035

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 97-01 WALNUT WOOD III

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BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-036

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE,
TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO.00-02 CANAL GARDENS SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville. formed an assessment district pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Section 22500 and following, Streets & Highways Code); and

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BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-037

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO.01-01 WALNUT WOOD IV

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BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-038

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE,
TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 04-01	SIERRA WOODS WEST SUBDIVISION, UNIT NOS. 1-3
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 04-02	SIERRA WOODS WEST SUBDIVISION, UNIT NOS. 4 AND 5
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 05-01	SIERRA WOODS WEST SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 6

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ATTEST:

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City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-039

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE,
TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2008-01 WALNUT CREEK SUBDIVISION

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ATTEST:

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-040

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2008-02

**SIERRA WOODS SOUTHWEST
SUBDIVISION, UNIT NOS. 1-3**

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-041

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ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2008-03 WALNUT WOODS ESTATES V

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ATTEST:

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-042

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND CONFIRMING
ASSESSMENT ON:

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2009-01

SIERRA WOODS SOUTHWEST PHASE IV

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ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

BY:

ATTEST:

Paul Boyer, Mayor

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-043

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND
CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ON:**

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 19-01 PETUNIA STREET SUBDIVISION

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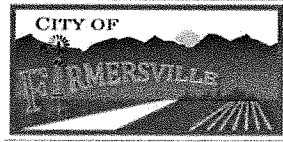
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ATTEST:

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City Clerk



City Council

Staff Report 8B

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Jennifer Gomez, City Manager

DATE: July 26, 2021

SUBJECT: Site Visit to Veterans Memorial Park, Sports Park, and Liberty Park
(Due to the locations, Zoom will not be available during this portion of the meeting, but the public is welcome to attend in person)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the City Council and staff vacate the City Council Chambers and continue the meeting at Veterans Memorial Park, Sports Park, and Liberty Park in order to view the current conditions of these parks and to note needed improvements.

Upon completing the site visits, the City Council will return to the City Council Chambers for the remaining items on the Agenda.

BACKGROUND and DISCUSSION:

The City Council has received complaints by residents on the current conditions of the City parks, so conducting site visits with City staff to identify specific issues will provide an opportunity to discuss feasible solutions.

Some parks, such as **Jennings Park** and **Roys Park**, are already scheduled in FY 2022-23 for improvements as grant funds are distributed to the City.

Two additional phases of the **Sports Park** are also scheduled to be completed in FY 2022-23 due to grants that have been awarded to the City.

Armstrong Park has been under construction for the last few months updating the irrigation system, replacing vandalized playground equipment, adding ADA accessible sidewalks, and adding a couple of lights for the parking lot. The total cost for materials is estimated to be \$20,000. This does not include labor costs for the temporary employees and time spent by Public Works employees.

Liberty Park is scheduled to have trail lighting and a disc golf course installed in the current fiscal year. \$114,000 has been budgeted for the lights but does not include the cost to contract out the labor.

There are currently no funds or immediate plans to make improvements at **Veterans Memorial Park, Riverbank Park, and Pocket Park**.

For this meeting, the City Council, City staff, and public will visit Veterans Memorial Park, Sports Park, and Liberty Park. The remaining parks will be scheduled for site visits during future City Council meetings. Once all of the parks have been visited, then staff will schedule an agenda item to discuss recommendations and receive direction from the City Council for action to take.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Site visits only, so no fiscal impact at this time. Depending on the findings, there could be additional funds required that are not currently budgeted and approved in this fiscal year. A discussion regarding available funds will be included at a future meeting.